

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE ST. CHARLES CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
2 E. MAIN STREET ST. CHARLES, IL 60174**

1. Call To Order By Mayor Raymond Rogina At 7:01 P.M.

2. Roll Call.

Present: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

Absent: None

3. Invocation – Alderman Rita Payleitner

4. Pledge of Allegiance – Tiger Cubs, Pack 113, Lincoln Elementary School.

5. Presentations:

- Mayor Rogina presented the a Proclamation proclaiming November 11, 2014 as Veterans' Day in the City of St. Charles.
- Presentation of America in Bloom Project: American in Bloom (AIB) is a national awards program that provides a framework for improving quality of life in a community. AIB promotes nationwide beautification through education, community involvement, and by encouraging the use of flowers, plants, trees and other environmental and lifestyle enhancements. A team of experts evaluates communities and provide one-on-one mentoring and coaching. (Members are Steve and Sue Amantangelo, Diane Rogina, and Ald. Maureen Lewis.)

6. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve the Omnibus Vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED

***7. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on October 20, 2014.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

***8. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place of file Treasurer Reports for period ending August 31, 2014 and period ending September 30, 2014.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

***9. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve and authorize issuance of vouchers from the Expenditure Approval List for the period of 10/13/2014 – 10/26/2014.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

I. New Business

None.

II. Committee Reports

A. Government Operations

- *1. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file the minutes of the October 20, 2014, Government Operations Committee Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *2. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve estimated amount of 2014 Property Tax Levy in the amount of 21,471,398.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *3. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

B. Government Services

- *1. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file the minutes of the September 22, 2014, Government Services Committee Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *2. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve a **Resolution 2014-101** Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of St. Charles to approve Contractual Services for the 2014/2015 Snow and Ice Control Program.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *3. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to waive the formal bid procedure and approve **Resolution 2014-102** Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of St. Charles to approve a Purchase Order with Rush Truck/Chicago International for Non-Stocked Heavy Duty Vehicle Parts and Repairs.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

4. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to waive the formal bid procedure and approve **Resolution 2014-103** Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of St. Charles to approve a Purchase Order with Zimmerman Ford for Non-Stocked Automotive Parts and Vehicle Repairs.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

ABSTAIN: Silkaitis

MOTION CARRIED

- *5. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve **Resolution 2014-104** Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of St. Charles to approve a Budget Addition for Electric Utility Work related to the Midwest Powder Coating Upgrade located at 3945 Swenson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *6. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve **Resolution 2014-105** Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of St. Charles to approve a Budget Addition for Electric Utility Work related to the new Buona Beef Restaurant.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *7. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve **Resolution 2014-106** Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of St. Charles to approve a License Agreement for the Jalapeno Grill Refuse Enclosure located at 602 Geneva Road, St. Charles, IL.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *8. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to reject bids for the Sewer Lining Project.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *9. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve painting of the Jones Law Office by a Volunteer Organization through the Camp Kane Heritage Foundation.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner,
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *10. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve **Ordinance 2014-M-28** Authorizing an Addendum to the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Lemke, Turner, Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

C. Planning and Development

None.

D. No Executive Session

E. Additional Items from Mayor, Council, Staff, or Citizens

- Elaine Chase, 2N Second St., #105.

I want to discuss something very important to me. I love St. Charles; I've lived here forever and have lots of connections to St. Charles and the Hotel Baker. I am grateful for the opportunity to live at Carroll Towers. I liked to garden there, it meant a lot to me. Unfortunately, the Baker Hotel dug out the old bushes and put in tall ones that eliminated our gardens almost. I have pictures, letters and petitions. I love the hotel, but I don't think what they did was neighborly. We were not notified. It has changed the quality of our lives because it is the whole length of our building, you can see. The height of the bushes makes things darker. I am not sure if it is a fire hazard, it used to be for the fire department. If we can compromise in some way.

- Alder. Lewis

Has someone contacted the Hotel Baker?

- Ms. Chase

I went over to talk to the manager the day the bushes went in, but no one ever contacted me. They planted the bushes in August. Mary Morgan called but no one showed up to talk to her.

- Alder. Bessner

To Staff, does anyone know the logistics or heard of this before?

- Chief Schelstreet

What we have found that this is a case of two private property owners.

- Alder. Bessner

Has there been a complaint?

- Chief Schelstreet

Yes, this is a private property issue between two private properties. There have been many alterations have been made over the years, but things are compliant. The building has more than adequate exiting and plenty of fire access available.

- Mayor Rogina

Please provide your information to Tina. My initial reaction, agreeing with Chief Schelstreet, I am not sure how much the City can do if it is a private property matter between two private property owners. Having said that, it's still important to listen to you and look at your materials and get back to you in timely manner. I will direct Staff to get back to you with a response.

- Alder. Lemke
We will need to know where the property lines are.
- Mayor Rogina
Back to Chief Schelstreet's point, this is still a property matter between two private properties.
- Larry Callahan, #319 Carroll Towers
Several factors are involved here. When the hotel sold the property for the Carroll Towers about 1980. I was on the review board at that time for historic preservation for that building. And it wasn't worth saving. I didn't follow up with how it went through, on how much land was allotted then. Like Chief said, I am not sure how the easement for the fire lane was handled. There is a gate on either end of Baker property that looks like it would allow a truck to get in there. As tenants, we are required to have egress through the windows for the first three floors. Can't do that on the riverside because it is blocked. I don't know who dropped the ball on that development issue on the property in the 80s. Part of the issue is health and air quality for our residents. We are getting mold and pollen from outside through air intakes on the roof. We have a lot of strange air issues in the building. The street lights in the easement area have not been maintained over the last five years. That's one area that those trees block.
- Mayor Rogina
Do you agree with the Chief's assessment?
- Larry Callahan
I think the trucks they have now are too wide to fit in the gate. Fighting a fire on that side would be an issue.
- Mayor Rogina
To his point about private property, do you support that concept?
- Larry Callahan
It's a problem.
- Mayor Rogina
Staff will look into this, if it remains a private property issue, not sure how much the City can do. If there are violations of City ordinances, we will be the first to respond to.
- Dawn Henry, 310 Carroll Tower
It is a lovely building and community. However it is not maintained in the back by the Baker Hotel. They only do the minimum. The view is all we have. There is no place to sit anymore. If they could just work with us, that would help. We are friendly and love St. Charles.
- Mayor Rogina
I think the comments you have made today, will get to proper channels. Hope we can find middle ground.
- Mayor Rogina
Reminded all that the Saturday after Thanksgiving is Small Business Saturday and encouraged all to shop and buy local. This weekend is the 40th anniversary of Jim Martin's first City Council meeting.

F. Adjournment

Motion By Bessner, seconded by Turner, to adjourn meeting.

VOICE VOTE

UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

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Nancy Garrison, City Clerk

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